

AMENDMENT NO. ____

Calendar No. ____

Purpose: To require the Secretary of Agriculture to conduct a study of the feasibility of using computer technology (including data mining) to reduce overcertification errors in the school lunch program and to reduce waste, fraud, and abuse.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—108th Cong., 2d Sess.

S. ____

To amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act and the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 to provide children with increased access to food and nutrition assistance, to simplify program operations and improve program management, to reauthorize child nutrition programs, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on _____
and ordered to be printed

Ordered to lie on the table and to be printed

AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. FITZGERALD

Viz:

- 1 On page 41, strike line 6 and insert the following:
- 2 applications to be verified.
- 3 “(K) FEASIBILITY STUDY.—
- 4 “(i) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary
- 5 shall conduct a study of the feasibility of

1 using computer technology (including data
2 mining) to reduce—

3 “(I) overcertification errors in
4 the school lunch program under this
5 Act;

6 “(II) waste, fraud, and abuse in
7 connection with this paragraph; and

8 “(III) errors, waste, fraud, and
9 abuse in other nutrition programs, as
10 determined to be appropriate by the
11 Secretary.

12 “(ii) REPORT.—Not later than 180
13 days after the date of enactment of this
14 paragraph, the Secretary shall submit to
15 the Committee on Education and the
16 Workforce of the House of Representatives
17 and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutri-
18 tion, and Forestry of the Senate a report
19 describing—

20 “(I) the results of the feasibility
21 study conducted under this sub-
22 section;

23 “(II) how a computer system
24 using technology described in clause
25 (i) could be implemented;

1 “(III) a plan for implementation;
2 and
3 “(IV) proposed legislation, if nec-
4 essary, to implement the system.”.